

REMARKS:

Claims 1-32 are pending in this broadening reissue application. Claim 31 has been amended to correct two typographical errors (“pattern” instead of “patten” and “said” instead of “saod”). The present Office Action states that only claims 21-32 are present in the application. Applicant notes that claims 1-20 are pending from the issued patent, as well as claims 21-32 added via amendment during reissue.

The Examiner alleges that the reissue declaration is defective “because it fails to contain a statement that all errors which are being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of filing of the oath/declaration arose without deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.” *See* Office Action at 2. Applicant believes that the previously submitted reissue declaration is compliant with the relevant statutes/regulations, but in the interest of expediting prosecution has submitted a new reissue declaration from the inventor. Applicant submits that this declaration overcomes the pending rejection.

CONCLUSION:

Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is requested.

If any extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above-referenced application from becoming abandoned, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5681-61002/DMM.

Respectfully submitted,

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